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DEA HQS FOR ENOA

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: SNAR, EC  
SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR NAME CHECK: LUIS FELIPE HUERTA

REF: DEA 18489 (DTG 281857Z JUN 78)

1. MISSION IS UNABLE TO POSITIVELY IDENTIFY A LUIS FELIPE HUERTA IN CONNECTION WITH DRUG TRAFFICKING. REQUEST NEWARK DO ATTEMPT TO OBTAIN FULLER IDENTIFICATION, INCLUDING PARTICULARLY HIS MATRONYMIC (MOTHER'S LAST NAME) AND CLARIFICATION OF FAMILY TIES.

2. DUE TO THE POSSIBLE SENSITIVITY OF THIS CASE EMBASSY REQUESTS REFTEL BE UPGRADED TO SECRET AND THAT FUTURE CABLES ON THIS CASE CARRY A SIMILAR CLASSIFICATION, AT LEAST UNTIL SUBJECT IS CLEARLY IDENTIFIED.

3. SENSITIVITY STEMS FROM FACT THAT RAUL CLEMENTE HUERTA RENDON IS ONE OF THE TWO FAVORED CANDIDATES FOR ELECTION AS ECUADOR'S PRESIDENT IN ELECTIONS TO BE HELD JULY 16.

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RAUL CLEMENTE HAD A BROTHER LUIS FELIPE HUERTA RENDON WHO IS NOW DEAD. THE CLEMENTE HUERTA ORTEGA MENTIONED IN REFTEL IS PROBABLY RAUL CLEMENTE'S 34-YEAR OLD SON. IN ADDITION, FRANCISCO HUERTA MONTALVO, A NEPHEW OF RAUL CLEMENTE, IS DIRECTOR OF THE LIBERAL PARTY AND WAS ONCE A PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE HIMSELF. AT ONE POINT FELIPE HUERTA MONTALVO, FRANCISCO'S BROTHER WAS HEADING THE SLATE OF

LIBERAL PARTY CANDIDATES FOR THE GUAYAS (GUAYAQUIL)  
PROVINCIAL COUNCIL.

4. EMBASSY ALSO UNDERSTANDS THAT FRANCISCO HUERTA'S FULL  
SISTER IS MARRIED AND HAS TWO SONS WHO ARE YOUNG MEN.  
EMBASSY DOES NOT KNOW THEIR FIRST NAMES, BUT THEIR FAMILY  
NAME IS VELA HUERTA. REPORTEDLY ONE OR BOTH SONS HAVE  
BEEN INVOLVED IN NARCOTICS AND ONE EVEN HAS THE ALIAS  
AMONG THE GUAYAQUIL UNDERWORLD OF "EL REY DE LA CANTERA".  
CONCEIVABLY ONE OF THE VELA HUERTA BOYS IS THE LUIS  
FELIPE MENTIONED REFTTEL.

5. EMBASSY REQUESTS IT BE KEPT INFORMED OF ALL DEVELOPMENTS  
THIS CASE, AT LEAST UNTIL LUIS FELIPE HUERTA IS  
POSITIVELY IDENTIFIED AND HIS RELATIONSHIP WITH RAUL  
CLEMENTE HUERTA IS CLARIFIED. WE URGE AGAIN THE EXTREME  
SENSITIVITY OF THIS CASE AND THE PROBLEMS THAT WOULD RESULT  
SHOULD ACCUSATIONS OF POSSIBLE HUERTA FAMILY INVOLVEMENT  
IN NARCOTICS BE LEAKED BY USG SOURCES PRIOR TO THE  
ELECTIONS IN JULY OR THE RUNOFF IN SEPTEMBER OR  
OCTOBER.

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